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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of each document that is not a U.S. patent document has been submitted herewith.

For a concise explanation of relevance of WO 96/34477, the Examiner is directed to the English abstract attached thereto and to U.S. Patent No. 6,128,316, which is in the same patent family.

The documents are cited in a European Search Report in connection with a counterpart European patent application. A copy of the Search Report has been submitted herewith.

It is respectfully requested that the documents be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that the documents have been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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